

Holiday Hotel Packages and Experiences for Christmas Trips to New York City



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There's no place quite like New York City for the holiday season. From the world's largest Christmas tree in Rockefeller Center to the window displays on 5th Avenue, there's hardly anything that compares. The city's hotels recognize this and make your stay in NYC this season all the more magical, with special holiday travel packages and experiences for Christmas trips to New York City.



New York City, New York, USA - December 17, 2017: View of the inside of Grand Central Station Terminal in Manhattan at holiday time with a crowd of people photo credit: Getty

The Plaza

[The Plaza](#) pulls out all the stops for the holidays. You have several packages to choose from if you wish to spend your Christmas at this jaw-droppingly gorgeous property.

Celebrate Eloise-style with the Rawther Fancy Holiday package, which includes a store credit for the Eloise boutique, a photo session with Santa and milk and cookies delivered to your guestroom to end the evening on a high note.

If your family's taste in films lies more in the realm of Home Alone, the Home Alone 2: Escape to New York package could be exactly up your alley. It includes a Home Alone 2 gift set, a 10 scoop ice cream sundae extravaganza, fast pass and personal shopping experience and gift card to FAO Schwarz.

Of course, other holiday experiences abound at the hotel. There are several holiday dining options to choose from, a Santa sendoff on Christmas Eve, holiday cocktails in The Rose Club, and a Michael Storrings signing session at the Eloise shop.

The Mandarin Oriental, New York

If you've always wanted to bask in the glow of extravagant holiday decorations in the privacy of your own suite, The Mandarin Oriental, New York, has just the thing.



New York City, USA - 08 December 2017: The image shows the beautiful Christmas Tree in Manhattan, New York City. photo credit: Getty

Through Dec. 31, when you book a two-night suite stay, you can book the Holiday Winter Wonderland Suite Escape package.

What holiday decor can be found in your room? A nearly 10-foot tree decorated in red, burgundy, and gold ornaments; natural pine cones; preserved Hydrangea flowers; warm white lights; artificial snow, and more. Beyond just the tree, there's a 24-inch live wreath, nutcrackers, hanging stockings, a separate smaller Christmas tree, and more. You'll also receive some yummy amenities, like hot chocolate with Grand Mariner, sugar cookies, candy canes, cake lollipops, and a gingerbread house.

Lotte New York Palace

[Lotte New York Palace](#) is easily known as one of the most luxurious properties in the city. This year, enjoy some classic holiday experiences in high style. If you stay between Dec. 1–24, you can take advantage of the Molton Brown Advent Calendar. Guests are invited to take a complimentary Molton Brown gift from behind the calendar doors leading up to Christmas.

Families get in on the fun, too, with the Letters to Santa experience. Children are invited to drop off their letters in the festive mailbox in the Grand Lobby. After which, each child receives a Christmas surprise delivered straight from Santa.

The Peninsula New York

Likewise, The Peninsula New York gives classic holiday traditions a luxurious upgrade. During December stays, children can live out their holiday dreams when they attend the Nutcracker's Holiday Tea. This tea includes a hot cocoa bar and a book reading session. No need to dress up here though — children are invited to come wearing their favorite pajamas.



New York City, USA - July 28, 2018: The Peninsula hotel on Fifth Avenue (5th Avenue) in Manhattan in New York City, USA photo credit: Getty

The entire family is invited to the hotel's Gingerbread House Decorating Class, led by the hotel's pastry team. Families with children ages 6–12 will be able to join the fun. A tea buffet is provided for accompanying adults.

If you make it to The Peninsula New York by Nov. 27, you can celebrate the hotel's tree lighting ceremony at Salon de Ning. They will also have complimentary refreshments and a live band from 6–7 p.m.

The Surrey

On the Upper East Side, [The Surrey](#) partners with La Maison du Chocolat for an ultra-extravagant holiday travel package. An exclusive offer is available for guests staying in the Presidential Suite. It's all about the holiday chocolate and cheer.

Guests receive a private chocolate ganache class with Nicolas Cloiseau, the master chef at La Maison du Chocolat. Chef Cloiseau will even fly to New York from Paris exclusively to teach the class. At turn-down time, a La Maison du Chocolat hot cocoa cart is transplanted to guests' suite so they can enjoy hot cocoa at any hour.

Extra amenities include special decor to transform the Presidential Suite into a winter wonderland, seasonal gifts and amenities, and the services of a private shopper to assist with all your Christmas shopping.

This experience is only available for reservation via a phone call to The Surrey. A minimum three-night stay is required.

If you can't quite shell out the cash for such an elaborate display of holiday cheer (there are loads of presents to buy, after all), you can still get at taste of the partnership between The Surrey and La Maison du Chocolat. Stop by the property through Dec. 16. The Parisian hot cocoa cart will be in full service five days a week, 10 a.m.–1 p.m. Hot cocoa is topped with whipped cream and a sprinkle of dark chocolate powder. The cost of this decadent delight is \$8.50 per cup.

Whatever you choose, make sure to take advantage of the [best travel credit cards](#) available for your holiday.